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In re application of:

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Serial No: 09/965,534 Confirmation No. 3774

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For:

SEMICONDUCTOR INTEGRATED

CIRCUIT DEVICE

**AMENDMENT** 

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated August 27, 2004, please amend this application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 4 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.

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Respectfully submitted, HOGAN & HARTSON L.L.P.

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